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SUBJECT: SSOD: AD REFERENDUM AGREED TEXT OF DECLARATION
ON DISARMAMENT

1. FOLLOWING IS AD REFERENDUM AGREED TEXT OF SSOD DE-
CLARATION ON DISARMAMENT WHICH WILL BE CONSIDERED BY
AD HOC COMMITTEE THURSDAY, JUNE 29. CONCERNED OFFICES
IN DEPARTMENT AND OTHER AGENCIES HAVE SEEN MOST SECTIONS
OF TEXT IN SPECIFIC MESSAGES. COMPLETE TEXT IS PRESENT-
ED HERE TO FACILITATE FINAL CONSIDERATION.

II. DECLARATION

A. REVIEW AND APPRAISAL

1. MANKIND TODAY IS CONFRONTED WITH AN UNPRECEDENTED
THREAT OF SELF-EXTINCTION ARISING FROM THE MASSIVE AND
COMPETITIVE ACCUMULATION OF THE MOST DESTRUCTIVE WEAPONS
EVER PRODUCED. EXISTING ARSENALS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
ALONE ARE MORE THAN SUFFICIENT TO DESTROY ALL LIFE ON
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EARTH. FAILURE OF EFFORTS TO HALT AND REVERSE THE ARMS
RACE, IN PARTICULAR THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE, INCREASES THE
DANGER OF THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. YET THE
ARMS RACE CONTINUES. MILITARY BUDGETS ARE CONSTANTLY
GROWING, WITH ENORMOUS CONSUMPTION OF HUMAN AND MATERIAL
RESOURCES. THE INCREASE IN WEAPONS, ESPECIALLY NUCLEAR
WEAPONS, FAR FROM HELPING TO STRENGTHEN INTERNATIONAL

SECURITY, ON THE CONTRARY WEAKENS IT. THE VAST STOCKPILES AND TREMENDOUS BUILD-UP OF ARMS AND ARMED FORCES AND THE COMPETITION FOR QUALITATIVE REFINEMENT OF WEAPONS OF ALL KINDS TO WHICH SCIENTIFIC RESOURCES AND TECHNOLOGICAL ADVANCES ARE DIVERTED, POST INCALCULABLE THREATS TO PEACE. THIS SITUATION BOTH REFLECTS AND AGGRAVATES INTERNATIONAL TENSIONS, SHARPENS CONFLICTS IN VARIOUS REGIONS OF THE WORLD, HINDERS THE PROCESS OF DETENTE, EXACERBATES THE DIFFERENCES BETWEEN OPPOSING MILITARY ALLIANCES, JEOPARDIZES THE SECURITY OF ALL STATES, HEIGHTENS THE SENSE OF INSECURITY AMONG ALL STATES, INCLUDING THE NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES, AND INCREASES THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR WAR.

2. THE ARMS RACE, PARTICULARLY IN ITS NUCLEAR ASPECT, RUNS COUNTER TO EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE FURTHER RELAXATION OF INTERNATIONAL TENSION, TO ESTABLISH INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS BASED ON PEACEFUL COEXISTENCE AND TRUST BETWEEN ALL STATES, AND TO DEVELOP BROAD INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION AND UNDERSTANDING. THE ARMS RACE IMPEDES THE REALIZATION OF THE PURPOSES AND IS INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE PRINCIPLES OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS ESPECIALLY RESPECT FOR SOVEREIGNTY, REFRAINING FROM THE THREAT OR USE OF FORCE AGAINST THE TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OR THE POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF ANY STATE, PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES AND NON-INTERVENTION AND NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF STATES. IT ALSO AD-

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VERSELY AFFECTS THE RIGHTS OF PEOPLES FREELY TO DETERMINE THEIR SYSTEMS OF SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, AND HINDERS THE STRUGGLE FOR SELF-DETERMINATION AND THE ELIMINATION OF COLONIAL RULE, RACIAL OR FOREIGN DOMINATION OR OCCUPATION. INDEED, THE MASSIVE ACCUMULATION OF ARMAMENT AND THE ACQUISITION OF ARMAMENTS TECHNOLOGY BY RACIST REGIMES AS WELL AS THEIR POSSIBLE ACQUISITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS PRESENTS A CHALLENGING AND INCREASINGLY DANGEROUS OBSTACLE TO A WORLD COMMUNITY FACED WITH THE URGENT NEED TO DISARM. IT IS THEREFORE ESSENTIAL FOR THE PURPOSES OF DISARMAMENT TO PREVENT ANY FURTHER ACQUISITION OF ARMS OR ARMS TECHNOLOGY BY SUCH REGIMES THROUGH STRICT ADHERENCE BY ALL STATES TO RELEVANT DECISIONS OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL.

3. ENDURING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY CANNOT BE BUILT ON THE ACCUMULATION OF WEAPONRY BY MILITARY ALLIANCES NOR BE SUSTAINED BY A PRECARIOUS BALANCE OF DETERRANCE OR DOCTRINES OF STRATEGIC SUPERIORITY. GENUINE AND LASTING PEACE CAN ONLY BE CREATED THROUGH THE EFFECTIVE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SECURITY SYSTEM PROVIDED FOR IN THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE

SPEEDY AND SUBSTANTIAL REDUCTION OF ARMS AND ARMED FORCES,
BY INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT AND MUTUAL EXAMPLE LEADING
ULTIMATELY TO GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT UNDER
EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL. AT THE SAME TIME, THE
CAUSES OF THE ARMS RACE AND THREATS TO PEACE MUST BE
REDUCED AND TO THIS END EFFECTIVE ACTION SHOULD BE
TAKEN TO ELIMINATE TENSIONS AND SETTLE DISPUTES BY
PEACEFUL MEANS.

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4. SINCE THE PROCESS OF DISARMAMENT AFFECTS THE
VITAL SECURITY INTERESTS OF ALL STATES, THEY MUST ALL
BE ACTIVELY CONCERNED WITHAN CONTRIBUTE TO THE MEASURES
OF DISARMAMENT AND ARMS LIMITATIONS, WHICH HAVE AN
ESSENTIAL PART OF PLAY IN MAINTAINING AND STRENGTHENING
INTERNATIONAL SECURITY. THEREFORE THE ROLE AND RESPON-
SIBILITY OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN THE SPHERE OF DIS-
ARMAMENT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS CHARTER, MUST BE STRENGTH-
ENED.

5. IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT NOT ONLY GOVERNMENTS BUT ALSO
THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD RECOGNIZE AND UNDERSTAND THE
DANGERS IN THE PRESENT SITUATION. IN ORDER THAT AN
INTERNATIONAL CONSCIENCE MAY DEVELOP AND THAT WORLD
PUBLIC OPINION MAY EXERCISE A POSITIVE INFLUENCE, THE
UNITED NATIONS SHOULD INCREASE THE DISSEMINATION OF
INFORMATION ON THE ARMAMENTS RACE AND DISARMAMENT WITH THE
FULL CO-OPERATION OF MEMBER STATES.

6. IN A WORLD OF FINITE RESOURCES THERE IS A CLOSE
RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN EXPENDITURE ON ARMAMENTS AND ECONOMIC
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AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT. MILITARY EXPENDITURES ARE
REACHING EVER HIGHER LEVELS, THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF
WHICH CAN BE ATTRIBUTED TO THE NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES
AND MOST OF THEIR ALLIES WITH PROSPECTS OF FURTHER
EXPANSION AND THE DANGER OF FURTHER INCREASES IN THE
EXPENDITURES OF OTHER COUNTRIES. THE HUNDREDS OF BILLIONS
OF DOLLARS SPENT ANNUALLY ON THE MANUFACTURE
OR IMPROVEMENT OF WEAPONS ARE IN SOMBRE AND DRAMATIC CON-
TRAST TO THE WANT AND POVERTY IN WHICH TWO THIRDS OF THE
WORLD'S POPULATION LIVE. THIS COLOSSAL WASTE OF RESOURCES
IS EVEN MORE SERIOUS IN THAT IT DIVERTS TO MILITARY PUR-
POSES NOT ONLY MATERIAL, BUT ALSO TECHNICAL AND HUMAN
RESOURCES WHICH ARE URGENTLY NEEDED FOR DEVELOPMENT IN ALL
COUNTRIES, PARTICULARLY IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES. THUS,
THE ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL CONSEQUENCES OF THE ARMS RACE
ARE SO DETRIMENTAL THAT ITS CONTINUATION IS OBVIOUSLY
INCOMPATIBLE WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW INTER-
NATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, BASED ON JUSTICE, EQUITY AND CO-
OPERATION. CONSEQUENTLY, RESOURCES RELEASED AS A RESULT
OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DISARMAMENT MEASURES SHOULD BE
USED IN A MANNER WHICH WILL HELP TO PROMOTE THE WELL-
BEING OF ALL PEOPLES AND TO IMPROVE THE ECONOMIC
CONDITIONS OF THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

7. DISARMAMENT HAS THUS BECOME AN IMPERATIVE AND MOST
URGENT TASK FACING THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY. NO REAL
PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE SO FAR IN THE CRUCIAL FIELD OF THE
REDUCTION OF ARMAMENTS. HOWEVER, CERTAIN POSITIVE CHANGES
IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN SOME AREAS OF THE WORLD
PROVIDE SOME ENCOURAGEMENT. AGREEMENTS HAVE BEEN
REACHED THAT HAVE BEEN IMPORTANT IN LIMITING CERTAIN
WEAPONS OR ELIMINATING THEM ALTOGETHER, AS IN THE CASE OF
THE CONVENTION ON THE PROHIBITION OF THE DEVELOPMENT,
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PRODUCTION AND STOCKPILING OF BACTERIOLOGICAL (BIOLOGICAL)
AND TOXIN WEAPONS AND ON THEIR DESTRUCTION, AND EXCLUDING
PARTICULAR AREAS FROM THE ARMS RACE. THE FACT REMAINS
THAT THESE AGREEMENTS RELATE ONLY TO MEASURES OF LIMITED
RESTRAINT WHILE THE ARMS RACE CONTINUES. THESE PARTIAL
MEASURES HAVE DONE LITTLE TO BRING THE WORLD CLOSER

TO THE GOAL OF GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT. FOR MORE THAN A DECADE THERE HAVE BEEN NO NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO A TREATY ON GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT. THE PRESSING NEED NOW IS TO TRANSLATE INTO PRACTICAL TERMS THE PROVISIONS OF THIS FINAL DOCUMENT AND TO PROCEED ALONG THE ROAD OF BINDING AND EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF DISARMAMENT.

8. REMOVING THE THREAT OF A WORLD WAR - A NUCLEAR WAR - IS THE MOST ACUTE AND URGENT TASK OF THE PRESENT DAY. MANKIND IS CONFRONTED WITH A CHOICE: WE MUST HALT THE ARMS RACE AND PROCEED TO DISARMAMENT OR FACE ANNIHILATION.

B. GOALS AND PRIORITIES

1. THE ULTIMATE OBJECTIVE OF THE EFFORTS OF STATES IN THE DISARMAMENT PROCESS IS GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT UNDER EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL.

THE PRINCIPAL GOALS OF DISARMAMENT ARE TO ENSURE THE SURVIVAL OF MANKIND AND TO ELIMINATE THE DANGER OF WAR, IN PARTICULAR NUCLEAR WAR, TO ENSURE THAT WAR IS NO LONGER AN INSTRUMENT FOR SETTling INTERNATIONAL DISPUTES AND THAT THE USE AND THE THREAT OF FORCE ARE ELIMINATED FROM INTERNATIONAL LIFE, AS PROVIDED FOR IN THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

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PROGRESS TOWARDS THIS OBJECTIVE REQUIRES THE CON-

CLUSION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF AGREEMENTS ON THE CESSATION OF THE ARMS RACE AND ON GENUINE MEASURES OF DISARMAMENT TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE NEED OF STATES TO PROTECT THEIR SECURITY.

2. AMONG SUCH MEASURES, EFFECTIVE MEASURES OF NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT AND THE PREVENTION OF NUCLEAR WAR HAVE THE HIGHEST PRIORITY. TO THIS END, IT IS IMPERATIVE TO REMOVE THE THREAT OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, TO HALT AND REVERSE THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE UNTIL THE TOTAL ELIMINATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND THEIR DELIVERY SYSTEMS HAS BEEN ACHIEVED, AND TO PREVENT AND PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS.

AT THE SAME TIME, OTHER MEASURES DESIGNED TO PREVENT THE OUTBREAK OF NUCLEAR WAR AND TO LESSEN THE DANGER OF THE THREAT OR USE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS SHOULD BE TAKEN.

3. ALONG WITH THESE, AGREEMENTS OR OTHER EFFECTIVE MEASURES SHOULD BE ADOPTED TO PROHIBIT OR PREVENT THE UNCLASSIFIED

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DEVELOPMENT, PRODUCTION OR USE OF OTHER WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION. IN THIS CONTEXT, AN AGREEMENT OR ELIMINATION OF ALL CHEMICAL WEAPONS SHOULD BE CONCLUDED AS A MATTER OF HIGH PRIORITY.

4. TOGETHER WITH NEGOTIATIONS ON NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT MEASURES, NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT ON THE BALANCED REDUCTION OF ARMED FORCES AND OF CONVENTIONAL ARMAMENTS, BASED ON THE PRINCIPLE OF UNDIMINISHED SECURITY OF THE PARTIES WITH A VIEW TO PROMOTING OR ENHANCING STABILITY AT A LOWER MILITARY LEVEL, TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE NEED OF ALL STATES TO PROTECT THEIR SECURITY. THESE NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD BE CONDUCTED WITH PARTICULAR EMPHASIS ON ARMED FORCES AND CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS OF NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES AND OTHER MILITARILY SIGNIFICANT COUNTRIES. THERE SHOULD ALSO BE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE LIMITATION OF INTERNATIONAL TRANSFER OF CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS, BASED, IN PARTICULAR, ON THE SAME PRINCIPLE, AND TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THE INALIENABLE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND INDEPENDENCE OF PEOPLES UNDER COLONIAL OR FOREIGN DOMINATION AND THE OBLIGATIONS OF STATES TO RESPECT THAT RIGHT, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE DECLARATION ON PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW CONCERNING FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND CO-OPERATION AMONG STATES, AS WELL AS THE NEED OF RECIPIENT STATES TO PROTECT THEIR SECURITY.

5. FURTHER INTERNATIONAL ACTION SHOULD BE TAKEN TO

PROHIBIT OR RESTRICT FOR HUMANITARIAN REASONS THE
USE OF SPECIFIC CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS, INCLUDING THOSE
WHICH MAY BE EXCESSIVELY INJURIOUS, CAUSE UNNECESSARY
SUFFERING OR HAVE INDISCRIMINATE EFFECTS.

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6. COLLATERAL MEASURES BOTH IN THE NUCLEAR AND CON-
VENTIONAL FIELDS, TOGETHER WITH OTHER MEASURES SPECIFI-
CALLY DESIGNED TO BUILD CONFIDENCE, SHOULD BE UNDER-
TAKEN IN ORDER TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE CREATION OF FAVOURABLE
CONDITIONS FOR THE ADOPTION OF ADDITIONAL DISARMAMENT
MEASURES AND TO FURTHER RELAXATION OF INTERNATIONAL
TENSION.

C. PRINCIPLES

NEGOTIATIONS AND MEASURES IN THE FIELD OF DISARMAMENT
SHALL BE GUIDED BY THE FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLES SET
FORTH BELOW.

1. ALL STATES MEMBERS OF THE UNITED NATIONS REAFFIRM
THEIR FULL COMMITMENT TO THE PURPOSES OF THE CHARTER
OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THEIR OBLIGATION STRICTLY TO
OBSERVE ITS PRINCIPLES AS WELL AS OTHER RELEVANT AND
GENERALLY ACCEPTED PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW
RELATING TO THE MAINTENANCE OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND
SECURITY.

THEY STRESS THE SPECIAL IMPORTANCE OF REFRAINING FROM THE
THREAT OR USE OF FORCE AGAINST THE SOVEREIGNTY, TERRITORIAL
INTEGRITY OR POLITICAL INDEPENDENCE OF ANY STATE, OR
AGAINST PEOPLES UNDER COLONIAL OR FOREIGN DOMINATION
SEEKING TO EXERCISE THEIR RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION
AND TO ACHIEVE INDEPENDENCE; NON-INTERVENTION AND NON-
INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER STATES;
THE INVIOABILITY OF INTERNATIONAL FRONTIERS; AND THE
PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES, HAVING REGARD TO THE
INHERENT RIGHT OF STATES TO INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE
SELF-DEFENSE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER.

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2. IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER, THE UNITED NATIONS HAS A CENTRAL ROLE AND PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY IN THE SPHERE OF DISARMAMENT. IN ORDER EFFECTIVELY TO DISCHARGE THIS ROLE AND FACILITATE AND ENCOURAGE ALL MEASURES IN THIS FIELD, THE UNITED NATIONS SHOULD BE KEPT APPROPRIATELY INFORMED OF ALL STEPS IN THIS FIELD, WHETHER UNILATERAL, BILATERAL, REGIONAL OR MULTILATERAL, WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO THE PROGRESS OF NEGOTIATIONS.

3. ALL THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD HAVE A VITAL INTEREST IN THE SUCCESS OF DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS. CONSEQUENTLY, ALL STATES HAVE THE DUTY TO CONTRIBUTE TO EFFORTS IN THE FIELD OF DISARMAMENT. ALL STATES HAVE THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS. THEY HAVE THE RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE ON AN EQUAL FOOTING IN THOSE MULTILATERAL DISARMAMENT NEGOTIATIONS WHICH HAVE A DIRECT BEARING ON THEIR NATIONAL SECURITY. WHILE DISARMAMENT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF ALL STATES, THE NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES HAVE THE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, AND, TOGETHER WITH OTHER MILITARILY SIGNIFICANT STATES FOR HALTING AND REVERSING UNCLASSIFIED

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THE ARMS RACE. IT IS THEREFORE IMPORTANT TO SECURE THEIR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION.

4. THE ADOPTION OF DISARMAMENT MEASURES SHOULD TAKE PLACE IN SUCH AN EQUITABLE AND BALANCED MANNER AS TO ENSURE THE RIGHT OF EACH STATE TO SECURITY AND THAT NO INDIVIDUAL STATE OR GROUP OF STATES MAY OBTAIN ADVANTAGES OVER OTHERS AT ANY STAGE. AT EACH STAGE THE OBJECTIVE SHOULD BE UNDIMINISHED SECURITY AT THE LOWEST POSSIBLE LEVEL OF ARMAMENTS AND MILITARY

FORCES.

5. AN ACCEPTABLE BALANCE OF MUTUAL RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS FOR NUCLEAR AND NON-NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES SHOULD BE STRICTLY OBSERVED.

6. DISARMAMENT AND ARMS LIMITATION AGREEMENTS SHOULD PROVIDE FOR ADEQUATE MEASURES OF VERIFICATION SATISFACTORY TO ALL PARTIES CONCERNED IN ORDER TO CREATE THE NECESSARY CONFIDENCE AND ENSURE THAT THEY ARE BEING OBSERVED BY ALL PARTIES. THE FORM AND MODALITIES OF THE VERIFICATION TO BE PROVIDED FOR IN ANY SPECIFIC AGREEMENT DEPEND UPON AND SHOULD BE DETERMINED BY THE PURPOSES, SCOPE AND NATURE OF THE AGREEMENT. AGREEMENTS SHOULD PROVIDE FOR THE PARTICIPATION OF PARTIES DIRECTLY OR THROUGH THE UNITED NATIONS SYSTEM IN THE VERIFICATION PROCESS. WHERE APPROPRIATE, A COMBINATION OF SEVERAL METHODS OF VERIFICATION AS WELL AS OTHER COMPLIANCE PROCEDURES SHOULD BE EMPLOYED.

7. NOT YET AGREED. WILL PROBABLY BE DELETED.

8. THE ESTABLISHMENT OF NUCLEAR-WEAPON-FREE ZONES ON UNCLASSIFIED

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THE BASIS OF AGREEMENTS OR ARRANGEMENTS FREELY ARRIVED AT AMONG THE STATES OF THE ZONE CONCERNED, AND THE FULL COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE AGREEMENTS OR ARRANGEMENTS, THUS ENSURING THAT THE ZONES ARE GENUINELY FREE FROM NUCLEAR WEAPONS, AND RESPECT FOR SUCH ZONES BY NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES CONSTITUTES AN IMPORTANT DISARMAMENT MEASURE.

9. DISARMAMENT, RELAXATION OF INTERNATIONAL TENSION, RESPECT FOR THE RIGHT TO SELF-DETERMINATION AND NATIONAL INDEPENDENCE, THE PEACEFUL SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS AND THE STRENGTHENING OF INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO EACH OTHER. PROGRESS IN ANY OF THESE SPHERES HAS A BENEFICIAL EFFECT ON ALL OF THEM; IN TURN, FAILURE IN ONE SPHERE HAS NEGATIVE EFFECTS ON OTHERS.

10. THERE IS ALSO A CLOSE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN DISARMAMENT AND DEVELOPMENT. PROGRESS IN THE FORMER WOULD HELP GREATLY TO THE REALIZATION OF THE LATTER. THEREFORE RESOURCES RELEASED AS A RESULT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DISARMAMENT MEASURES SHOULD BE DEVOTED TO ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT OF ALL NATIONS AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE BRIDGING OF THE

ECONOMIC GAP BETWEEN DEVELOPED AND DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

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11. NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IS A MATTER OF UNIVERSAL CONCERN.. MEASURES OF DISARMAMENT MUST BE CONSISTENT WITH THE INALIENABLE RIGHT OF ALL STATES, WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION, TO DEVELOP, ACQUIRE AND USE NUCLEAR TECHNOLOGY, EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS FOR THE PEACEFUL USE OF NUCLEAR ENERGY AND TO DETERMINE THEIR PEACEFUL NUCLEAR PROGRAMMES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR NATIONAL PRIORITIES, NEEDS AND INTERESTS, BEARING IN MIND THE NEED TO PREVENT THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION IN THE PEACEFUL USES OF NUCLEAR ENERGY SHOULD BE CONDUCTED UNDER AGREED AND APPROPRIATE INTERNATIONAL SAFEGUARDS APPLIED ON A NON-DISCRIMINATORY BASIS. (PAKISTAN HAS RESERVED ITS POSITION ON THIS PARAGRAPH.)

12. SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS IN DISARMAMENT, INCLUDING NUCLEAR DISARMAMENT, WOULD BE FACILITATED BY PARALLEL MEASURES TO STRENGTHEN THE SECURITY OF STATES AND TO IMPROVE IN GENERAL THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION.

13. NEGOTIATIONS ON PARTIAL MEASURES OF DISARMAMENT

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SHOULD BE CONDUCTED CONCURRENTLY WITH NEGOTIATIONS ON MORE COMPREHENSIVE MEASURES AND SHOULD BE FOLLOWED BY NEGOTIATIONS LEADING TO A TREATY ON GENERAL AND COMPLETE DISARMAMENT UNDER EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL CONTROL.

14. QUALITATIVE AND QUANTITATIVE DISARMAMENT MEASURES ARE BOTH IMPORTANT FOR HALTING THE ARMS RACE. EFFORTS TO THAT END MUST INCLUDE NEGOTIATIONS ON THE LIMITATION AND CESSATION OF THE QUALITATIVE IMPROVEMENT OF ARMAMENTS, ESPECIALLY WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF NEW MEANS OF WARFARE SO THAT ULTIMATELY SCIENTIFIC ANDS TECHNOLOGICAL ACHIEVEMENTS MAY BE USED SOLELY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES.

15. UNIVERSALITY OF DISARMAMENT AGREEMENTS HELPS CREATE CONFIDENCE AMONG STATES. WHEN MULTILATERAL AGREEMENTS IN THE FIELD OF DISARMAMENT ARE NEGOTIATED, EVERY EFFORT SHOULD BE MADE TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE UNIVERSALLY ACCEPTABLE. THE FULL COMPLIANCE OF ALL PARTIES WITH THE PROVISIONS CONTAINED IN SUCH AGREEMENTS WOULD ALSO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ATTAINMENT OF THAT GOAL.

16. NOT YET AGREED, WILL PROBABLY BE DELETED.

17. IN ORDER TO CREATE FAVOURABLE CONDITIONS FOR SUCCESS IN THE DISARMAMENT PROCESS, ALL STATES SHOULD STRICTLY ABIDE BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS, REFRAIN FROM ACTIONS WHICH MIGHT ADVERSELY AFFECT EFFORTS IN THE FIELD OF DISARMAMENT, AND DISPLAY A CONSTRUCTIVE APPROACH TO NEGOTIATIONS AND THE POLITICAL WILL TO REACH AGREEMENTS. THERE ARE CERTAIN NEGOTIATIONS ON DISARMAMENT UNDER WAY AT DIFFERENT LEVELS, THE EARLY AND SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF WHICH COULD CONTRIBUTE TO UNCLASSIFIED

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LIMITING THE ARMS RACE. UNILATERAL MEASURES OF ARMS LIMITATION OR REDUCTION COULD ALSO CONTRIBUTE TO THE ATTAINMENT OF THAT GOAL.

18. SINCE PROMPT MEASURES SHOULD BE TAKEN IN ORDER TO HALT AND REVERSE THE ARMS RACE, MEMBER STATES HEREBY DECLARE THAT THEY WILL RESPECT THE ABOVE-STATED OBJECTIVES AND PRINCIPLES AND MAKE EVERY EFFORT FAITHFULLY TO CARRY OUT THE PROGRAMME OF ACTION SET FORTH IN SECTION III BELOW.
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